

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the final Office Action electronically sent January 28, 2008 ("*Office Action*"). Claims 1-14 and 22-30 are pending in the Application. Claims 22-24 are rejected, and Claims 1-14 and 25-30 are allowed. Applicants have cancelled Claims 22-24 without prejudice or disclaimer, rendering their rejection moot. All other claims have been allowed and Applicants respectfully request their issuance.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The *Office Action* states that Claims 22-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Publication No. 2003/0099286 issued to Graziano et al. ("*Graziano*") in view of U.S. Publication No. 2002/0172273 issued to Baker et al. ("*Baker*"). Without acquiescing to this rejection, in order to expedite prosecution of this Application, Applicants have cancelled Claims 22-24. Favorable action is requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's indication that Claims 1-14 and 25-30 are allowed. Applicants respectfully request their issuance.

CONCLUSION

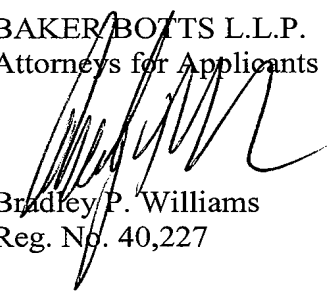
Applicants have now made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for immediate allowance. For the foregoing reasons and for other apparent reasons, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all pending claims.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, please feel free to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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